Sacramento County Health Authority Commission

General Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2021, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Meeting Location

In compliance with County, State, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention directives related to the COVID-19 public health emergency, this meeting was held remotely via webinar and conference call.

Attendance

Name	Attendance		Name	Attendance		
SCHA Voting Members						
Chet Hewit, Chair	⊠Present □	Absent	Kyle Stefano	⊠Present	Absent	
Addie Hernandez	⊠Present	Absent	Lisa Packard	⊠Present	□Absent	
Ann Boynton	⊠Present	Absent	Marvin Kamras, MD	⊠Present	□Absent	
Debra Payne	⊠Present	Absent	Michelle Monroe	⊠Present	□Absent	
Edwin Kirby		Absent	Patricia Sherrod	□Present	⊠Absent	
Jerry Bliatout		Absent	Phil Jackson	⊠Present	□Absent	
Jim Hunt		Absent	Ravinder Khaira, MD	⊠Present	□Absent	
John Landefeld, MD		Absent	Ryan Quist	⊠Present	□Absent	
Jonathan Porteus		Absent	Stacy Lorenzen	⊠Present	□Absent	
Kim Williams		Absent	Supervisor Patrick Kennedy	⊠Present	□Absent	
SCHA Non-Voting Members						
Janice Milligan	⊠Present □	Absent	Martha Santana-Chin	⊠Present	Absent	
Les Ybarra	⊠Present [Absent	Thiru Rajagopal, MD	⊠Present	□Absent	
County Staff to SCHA						
Jenine Spotnitz	⊠Present	Absent				

Agenda Item	Time	
1. Welcome/Opening Remarks – Chet Hewitt, Chair	3:00 – 3:08 pm	
Chair Chet Hewitt convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m.	3.00 – 3.00 pm	
2. Agenda Review – Jenine Spotnitz, Sacramento County Department of Health Services, and All	3:08 – 3:10 pm	
Jenine Spotnitz reviewed the agenda.		
3. Approval of Minutes – Chet Hewitt, Chair		
Jonathan Porteus moved to approve the minutes. Stacy Lorenzen seconded the motion. Motion carried.	3:10 – 3:15 pm	
4. For Discussion and Action: Health Authority Bylaws – Chet Hewitt, Chair	3:15 – 3:45 pm	

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Several members expressed desire for a subcommittee to work further on the bylaws and discuss details including the chair's authority to contract for staff and the whether the threshold for decision-making regarding managed care plans should be a supermajority instead of a majority. Several other members expressed support for the bylaws as written, indicated that it is standard for boards to delegate to chairs the authorities needed to act on the commission's behest, and that the threshold for decision-making regarding managed care plans was outlined in the ordinance that established the Sacramento County Health Authority Commission.

Edwin Kirby moved to approve the bylaws. Debra Payne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. Presentation: CalAIM Overview – *Gelmy Ruiz, Health Management Associates*

Gelmy Ruiz provided an overview of CalAIM, including an overview of Medi-Cal Managed Care and the Request for Proposal process and timeline, CalAIM goals, In Lieu of Services (ILOS) and Enhanced Care Management (ECM), and the timeline for key CalAIM components (see presentation).

Comments from Commission members included: Ryan Quist thanked Gelmy Ruiz for the great presentation and noted that CalAIM also includes a number of behavioral health improvements that do not impact Managed Care, and are on a similarly aggressive timeline. Lisa Packard expressed that she is a consumer of services from a behavioral health organization that serves over 650 clients and has insufficient psychiatrists. Martha Santana Chin expressed excitement about the opportunity CalAIM brings to work with providers, county agencies, and community-based organizations to collectively achieve ambitious goals set out by state and holistically address needs as in Whole Person Care. She underscored Ryan Quists' point regarding the ambitious and very aggressive timeline, and noted the importance of partnering. Debra Payne stated that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) was recommending not to continue dental managed care, and instead transition to fee for service. She announced that MCDAC was holding a special meeting to discuss this on April 22. Les Ybarra noted that plans are engaging the County and City of Sacramento Whole Person Care (WPC) team to plan for transitioning WPC. He also noted that the state will allow ILOS to be phased in every six months as more capacity is built.

There was one comments from a member of the public, Mike Jaske, who asked for clarity regarding the authority of the Commission to encourage or require ECM and ILOS services, and to determine the degree to which they are uniform across all GMC providers. Chair Chet Hewitt responded that the Commission will review and vet managed care plans interested in serving Sacramento County, and make recommendations that the Commission determines best meet the needs of our community moving forward.

3:45 – 4:30 pm

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6. Presentation: 2021 Commission Calendar and Process – Senator Richard Pan and Jenine Spotnitz, Sacramento County Department of Health Services	
Senator Richard Pan expressed appreciation to the Commission, discussed the alignment of the Commission's process with CalAIM, and answered questions.	4:30 – 4:40 pm
Jenine Spotnitz provided an overview of the Commission's calendar (see presentation). Les Ybarra expressed the managed care plans' Models of Care would be in draft format in May, and that plans would be working through June to finalize them prior to the DHCS deadline in July. Dr. Ravinder Khaira recommended establishing the monitoring plan concurrently to the comprehensive interviewing process.	·
7. Public Comment – One comment per person, limited to two minutes. Mike Jaske, Sacramento Steps Forward Board Member and Co-Chair of the Sacramento Area Congregations Together (SacACT) Homelessness Committee, thanked the Commission for its conversation about Enhanced Care Management and In Lieu of Services. He strongly urged the Commission to create extensive requirements for ECM and ILOS and ensure they are uniform across all GMC plans. He said that ECM and ILOS, particularly housing support services, are critical to getting unsheltered people off the streets into permanent housing. He emphasized that providing uniform, universally available services with sufficient depth is critical. He indicated that this is a golden opportunity to provide services, and seems to be a key solution to homelessness and the lack of services that has impacted the community for decades.	4:40 – 4:50 pm
 8. Closing Comments, Next Steps, and Adjournment – Chet Hewitt, Chair Chair Chet Hewitt announced that the next general meeting would be held on May 11, 2021, 3:00 – 5:00 PM, and reminded Commissioners to complete the ethics training and email the certificate of completion to Jenine Spotnitz prior to the next meeting. Chair Chet Hewitt adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m. 	4:50 – 5:00 pm

Members of the public are encouraged to attend. Public comments are accepted during designated time. Electronic or hard copies of documents are available upon request. To request documents, or if you wish to attend and need to arrange for an interpreter or a reasonable accommodation, please contact Jenine Spotnitz at SpotnitzJ@saccounty.net or (916) 216-1782. Electronic copies of documents will be emailed upon request and hard copies of documents may be picked up at 7001-A East Parkway, Sacramento, CA 95823. For more information regarding the Sacramento County Health Authority Commission, please visit our website at Sacramento County Health Authority.